

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:
Marik, et al. § Attorney Docket No. 31132.196 / PC1006
§
§ Customer No. 46333
Serial No.: 10/806,487 §
§ Group Art Unit: 3738
Filed: March 23, 2004 §
§ Examiner: Miller, Cheryl L.
For: Constrained Artificial Implant §
For Orthopaedic Applications § Confirmation No. 2793

AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner For Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby request a 3-month extension of time and include the requisite fee herewith. No fees—other than those included herewith—are believed necessary for consideration of the present paper. However, if any additional fees are necessary the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees to Haynes and Boone, LLP's Deposit Account No. 08-1394.

In response to the Final Office Action mailed September 22, 2006, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.